

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Even-aged harvest on 85 acres of approximately 3213 Mbf of State Timber, Big Rattlesnake Timber Sale, Application No. 30-072841 and Forest Practice Application No. 2703684.

Description of mitigation: This is an even aged harvest leaving 8 dominant and co-dominant trees per acre on 85 acres that will return the stand to an early seral condition. Following the harvest, a mixture of Douglas fir will be planted at approximately 300 trees per acre. No live Douglas fir, ponderosa pine or western larch trees 28" DBH or larger and 160 years of age or older will be harvested as part of this proposal. Protection measures will include using designated skid trails, which will be rehabilitated by placing slash on them and water barred upon completion of all logging activities. Steep slopes adjacent to Type Np draws were excluded from the sale. Minor new road construction will be occurring on a relatively flat portion of the sale area.

Proponent: State of Washington, Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Part of Section 31, Township 5 North, Range 12 East, W.M., Klickitat County, approximately 11 miles northeast of Husum WA located off of the Rattlesnake road.

Lead agency: State of Washington, Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from August 14, 2006. Comments must be submitted by August 39,2006.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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